

Candidates Night

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year. These candidates fielded the most questions at candidates night.

One question that all School Committee candidates, candidate for reelection Irene Brown, Gerard Reed, John Kinchla and Martha Gjesteb, had to wrestle with came from Roy Fitzsimmons, who asked their opinion on tenure.

Gjesteb felt that tenure should be eliminated because the teachers are well represented by the Teachers Association. Brown would approve of tenure for 5-year periods only. "Nobody is guaranteed a job for life," she said. Reed commented that as a teacher, himself, he had opted to give up tenure, to go on to other school departments. He further emphasized the need to evaluate teachers. Kinchla agreed that the key to teaching quality was through evaluation.

Diana Kornet, a candidate to fill a one year vacancy on the School Committee, was unable to attend.

The five candidates for the Selectman's seat, Doris Golden (who was not present), George Adams, Lester Hiltz, Rocco Laugelle and Glenn Pratt, also fielded questions that were directed to them all.

The first concerned the candidate's thoughts about creating the position of executive secretary.

Adams felt strongly that the town needed this type of administrator. "It is presumptuous to assume that anyone can be a full time Selectman and have a full-time job at the same time."

Hiltz said that the Selectmen's office needs some professional help and that he would be available to serve in that capacity if he were elected. Hiltz had indicated that he is semi-retired in his speech.

Candidate Pratt agreed that the town can't always expect to have a part-time Selectman doing a full-time job. He also suggested "walking before running" and suggested the possibility of employing people already in the town's service.

Laugelle felt the Selectmen's office needs administrative help, but felt also that the government study committee should first outline the position more specifically.

Another question from Building Inspector James Litchfield asked the candidates for their thoughts on the Town Hall articles.

Both Pratt and Hiltz favored considering the Study Committee's recommendation to renovate the Town Hall, although Hiltz suggested a temporary move to the 3A professional building. Adams remark, "This is the Town Hall," addressed within the present Town Hall's auditorium clearly delineated his preference.

Laugelle considered the difference of opinion concerning the renovation plan between the Building Inspector and the architects. "We may have a school available soon. We should take a hard look at this possibility," he said.

Other candidates who spoke include: Michael Patroia, for reelection to a 3-year term as Assessor; Richard Barrow for a 3-year term as Water Commissioner; Marilyn Sweeney and Stephen Wigmore for a 3-year term on the Board of Health; David Chittim, Elizabeth Eaton and Nancy Gilmore

for three 3-year terms as Trustees of Cohasset Free Public Library; Leavitt Goodwin for a one 5-year term on the Planning Board and John Bradley for a 2-year term to fill a vacancy on the Planning Board. (See the League's candidates questionnaire on page 10.)

Avoid Route 3, Advises Rep. Murray

State Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray (R) Cohasset has urged local commuters to Boston to travel Route 3A to Neponset to the expressway starting April 1st.

"There are five bridges from Washington Street, Braintree to Route 18 in Weymouth which are in very poor condition and must be repaired now," Murray said.

Mary Jeanette continued, "Chief Engineer Justin Radlo informed us at a meeting that the Union Street bridge will be the first to be repaired, however, once the project has begun, all bridges will be under repair simultaneously."

Chief Radlo informed the group that instead of repairing the bridges in three sections, they are going to attempt to do this in two sections. Rep. Murray said, "The Chief told us that repairing the bridges in two sections rather than three sections would save six weeks time and approximately

\$155,000 dollars." "If traffic flows properly, D.P.W. will repair the bridges in two sections," she concluded.

The starting date is April 1 and completion date October 1st for this project.

Easter Egg Hunt

The Scituate-Cohasset Welcome Newcomers Club will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt for the children of club members on Saturday, April 7 at 1 p.m. at Scituate High School.

Besides the hunt there will be various games for the children. The program is open to members' children who are between the ages of two and 10.

C.C.C. Nursery Registration

The Cohasset Community Center Nursery School is now accepting enrollments for the fall season. Parents are urged to apply as early as possible to insure a place for their child.

The Community Center Nursery School is a non-profit, non-discriminatory agency which has been providing a quality educational program for three

and four year old children on the South Shore for over 25 years. Children must be at least 2 years 9 months of age to enter the program. Separate programs are provided for three and four year olds; each program designed to fit the developmental needs of that age group.

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